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CENTRIFUGAL LIQUID CLEANING ARRANGEMENT

## REPLY

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Sir:

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2002.

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows (a marked-up version of the specification as amended is attached hereto):

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--CENTRIFUGAL SEPARATOR WITH AN ARRANGEMENT FOR HINDERING INADVERTENT COVER REMOVAL--

Please amend paragraph [0024] as follows:

[0024] The centrifugal separator structure thus so far described, and its operation, is essentially conventional; liquid supplied at elevated pressure to duct 20 passes through valve means 80 and into the spindle passage 60, passing therefrom via the container and discharge apertures 72 to the drain duct 22. Some of the liquid is directed by way of nozzle 78 to impinge upon the spindle-mounted vanes 76 to spin the rotor and permit centrifugal separation of solid contaminants from the liquid that passes through the container space. It will be appreciated that the rotor, full of liquid has a significant weight and to minimize the downward thrust force on the lower